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informing the user of the availability of a plurality of different services;  
receiving from the user over a first communications link an indication of a desired service and a request for the desired service;  
providing the requested service to the user over a second communications link;  
receiving from the user an authentication key to indicate prepayment for the requested service;  
verifying whether the authentication key is valid, and  
providing the requested service if the authentication key is valid.

Fig. 1.